

# IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR APPRENTICE ELECTRICIANS AND ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS

Following is a copy of the newly revised laws regarding the requirements for Apprentice Electricians in Idaho. Please note the changes indicated below (underlined and in bold type) will have an effect on apprentices, who are not currently attending school, (or) who have completed school but have not yet tested for the journeyman license. If you have questions concerning these new laws, please contact the Licensing Section of the Electrical Bureau at (208) 334-2183.

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## IDAPA 07-0103012. APPRENTICE ELECTRICIAN

### 01. Requirements for Apprentice Electrician.

(5-3-03)

a. A person wishing to become an apprentice electrician shall register with the Division of Building Safety prior to going to work. Said person shall carry a current registration certificate on his person at all times and shall present it upon request to personnel of the Division of Building Safety for examination. Each apprentice shall re-register each July, furnishing proof of completion of a minimum of one-hundred-forty-four (144) hours of an organized sequence of instruction in technical subjects related to the electrical trade as approved by the Idaho State Electrical Board for Professional and Technical Education and work experience performed during the previous year with notarized letters from each employer and a certificate of achievement from the vocational institution attended. This requirement shall continue each year until the minimum requirements of Chapter 10, Title 54, Idaho Code, have been fulfilled. Any apprentice failing to re-register by August 1 of each year shall pay an additional fee of \$10 to revive his or her registration certificate. Time shall not be credited while the apprentice is inactive or not registered, nor shall time be allowed for any year which is not accompanied by proof of required instruction for that year of apprenticeship. (5-3-03)

b. In order to qualify to take the journeyman electrician examination an apprentice electrician shall be required to work four (4) years, defined as a minimum of eight thousand (8000) hours of work experience, under the constant on-the-job supervision of a journeyman electrician. That work shall include three (3) categories: (5-3-03)

i. Residential; (5-3-03)

ii. Commercial; and (5-3-03)

iii. Industrial Installations. (5-3-03)

c. Experience shall not exceed seventy-five percent (75%) of the work time in any one (1) category. The requirements of Subsection 012.01.b shall not apply to a registered apprentice enrolled in an apprenticeship program accredited by the Electrical Bureau. (5-3-03)

d. An apprentice who has completed the required number of instructional hours and has not passed the journeyman's examination within two (2) years of completion of the required instructional training hours shall provide proof of continuation training in order to re-register as an apprentice. For the purposes of Section 012, continuation training is defined as registration in an approved fourth year apprenticeship class. (7-1-04) T

e. An apprentice who has not advanced in apprenticeship training for a period of two (2) years shall provide proof of continuation training in order to re-register as an apprentice. For the purposes of Section 012, continuation training is registration in an approved year of apprenticeship class for which the apprentice is eligible or a repeat of the most recent apprenticeship class attended. (7-1-04) T

02. Direct Supervision. It shall be the responsibility of the employing electrical contractor to ensure that the apprentice performs electrical work only under the constant on-the-job supervision of a journeyman electrician. Any contractor who employs more than two (2) apprentice electricians for each licensed journeyman electrician employed is presumed to be in violation of the direct supervision requirements of Section 54-1010, Idaho Code, and of the constant on-the-job supervision requirement of Section 54-1003A, Idaho Code. This presumption may be rebutted by a showing by the contractor that special circumstances exist which are peculiar to the work done by that contractor which allows for effective supervision by each journeyman electrician of more than two (2) apprentice electricians. Prior to employing more than two (2) apprentice electricians for each journeyman electrician, a contractor must obtain permission from the Electrical Bureau to do so. Failure to comply with this requirement will be grounds for suspension or revocation of the electrical contractor's license. (4-1-91)